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## **James P. Craft**



### **Deputy Director, Command, Control Communications and Computers U.S. Marine Corps Headquarters**

As the Deputy Director, Command, Central, Communications and Computers (C4) Directorate, Headquarters Marine Corps, Mr. Craft serves as the Deputy Chief Information Officer (CIO), deputy G-6 for the United States Marine Corps and leader of approximately 1800 Civilian Marines in the Information Technology (IT) and Information Assurance (IA) occupational fields. In this role, Mr. Craft assists the Director in managing the communications and IT annual investment of approximately four billion dollars to support the global warfighting and business activities and strategic goals of the United Marine Corps, Department of the Navy and the Department of Defense.

Mr. Craft entered the Senior Executive Service in October, 2006 and has four and a half years previous Federal civilian service (three and a half with USAID and one year special assignment with the U.S. Department of State).

From September 2005 to October 2006, Mr. Craft served as Senior Telecommunications Advisor, Afghanistan Reconstruction Group, United States Department of State, leading all US government reconstruction and development activities for the Afghan Information Communications Technology (ICT) Sector (telecommunications and information technology). Upon appointment to this position in September, 2005, Mr. Craft organized US efforts to focus disparate efforts from various US government departments and agencies and the private sector into a coordinated program which rapidly improved performance and focused US investments. He established interagency and public/private sector working groups both in the US and in Afghanistan which brought dramatic improvements in the Afghan ICT sector and the Afghan Ministry of Communications.

From March to September 2005, Mr. Craft was a Director with PricewaterhouseCoopers Washington Federal Practice, leading technology engagements supporting the Department of Defense and other organizations. Additionally, he led successful business development and proposal efforts which resulted in PricewaterhouseCoopers' obtaining a place on four winning teams on government contracts with ceiling totaling forty billion dollars.

From January 2004 to March 2005, Mr. Craft was the Chief Information Security Officer for Raytheon's Intelligence and Information Systems Company. He led strategic information assurance, customer engagements, and chaired the Raytheon Information Security and Information Management Technical Interest Group. Additionally, at the request of NSA, Mr. Craft led an effort by a consortium of companies (large and small businesses) and professional associations to address national certification issues related to the security and system engineering profession.

From January 2003 to January 2004, Mr. Craft was the Director of IT Strategic Planning, for Raytheon's Intelligence and Information Systems Company and IT Director for the Mid-Atlantic region. Mr. Craft was the senior executive assisting the Chief Information Officer align the IT investments to the business objectives and customer needs. Additionally, Mr. Craft provided technical oversight and support for a wide range of client and business development work.

From November 2001 to January 2003, Mr. Craft served as an IT Director for the \$1.1 billion Strategic Systems Business Unit within Raytheon's C3I Company. He led efforts to dramatically improve performance, lower cost and guide the IT organization through a large-scale corporate reorganization.

From January 1998 to November 2001, Mr. Craft led the creation of a new Information Assurance Program at the US Agency for International Development as the Agency's Information Systems Security Officer. This new program received an "A+" on its FISMA assessment only a few years after its creation and has maintained this high standard since. Mr. Craft also chaired the Security Practices Subcommittee of the Federal CIO Council which created a Federal Best Security Practices pilot initiative, leading the development and implementation of various government-wide best security practices such as Certification and Accreditation.

From 1983 to 1998, Mr. Craft led security and information technology departments and teams, managed projects, and served as a contributing analyst and engineer with SRA International, Booz-Allen & Hamilton, and Betac Corporation. Much of this work was in the National Security Emergency Preparedness and Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence areas.

From 1979 to 1983, Mr. Craft served in the US Marine Corps as Communications Officer with an Infantry Platoon achieving the rank of Captain. Following his active duty commitment, he served for three years as a logistics officer in the Marine Ready Reserves.

In June 2007, Mr. Craft was awarded the Department of Defense Exceptional Public Service Medal for his service in Afghanistan. In December 1999, Mr. Craft received the US Agency for International Development Annual Inspector General Achievement Award for the development of a significantly enhanced Agency Information Systems Security Program and the NSA Systems Security Engineering Capability Maturity Model program achievement award for leading successful government-wide efforts to share best security practices. Mr. Craft has also received various industry awards throughout his career.

Mr. Craft holds a bachelor's of science degree in business management from George Mason University. He is a graduate of the National Defense University Information Resources Management College Advanced Management Program, with Chief Information Officer and CNSS 4011 Information Assurance Certificates, and the Federal Executive Institute Program for the US Agency for International Development. Mr. Craft holds a Certified Information Systems Security Professional, Information Systems Security Architecture, Engineering and Management Professional designations from the International Information Systems Security Certification Consortium 2.

Mr. Craft is a member of the Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association, the Marine Corps Association, and the Association of the US Army.